



Osler Mennonite Church

*A Welcoming Community for Peace
Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation*

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

June 21, 2026

National Indigenous Peoples Day

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship:

L: We believe that all land

and all people belong to God, as the Scriptures teach us:
the earth is the Lord's and everything in it. (*Psalm 24:1*)

***All: We believe that God formed us
to be in right relationship with one another
and all of creation. (Matthew 5:23-24)***

L: We recognize broken relationships in our world and with our neighbors, and we long for reconciliation and to live together in harmony.

All: In particular, we acknowledge that this land is the traditional and ancestral territory of the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Métis, Dene, and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. As Treaty people, we reaffirm our relationship to one another and are committed to moving forward in partnership and reconciliation."

L: We confess that Canadian governments and institutions perpetrated the displacement of Indigenous people, culture and traditions, causing significant harm and trauma.

***All: We pray for your forgiveness,
and the forgiveness of all those
who have suffered the harm of colonization and marginalization.***

L: We invite Creator to be present with us in this space as we worship God and commemorate National Indigenous Peoples Day.

*All: May our commitment to following Jesus
and being people of mercy, justice and humility (Micah 6:8)
lead us to walk in a good way
with one another, all our neighbors and all creation.*

Prayer of Invocation

**Gathering Hymns: VT #9 Come Away from Rush and Hurry
VT #181 Creation Is a Song**

First Reading: Matthew 5:1-9 (*First Nations Version*)

"When Creator Sets Free (Jesus) saw this great crowd, he went back up into the mountainside and sat down to teach the people. His followers came to him there, so he took a deep breath, opened his mouth, and began to share his wisdom with them and teach them how to see Creator's good road. 'Creator's blessing rests on the poor, the ones with broken spirits. The good road from above is theirs to walk. Creator's blessing rests on the ones who walk a trail of tears, for he will wipe the tears from their eyes and comfort them. Creator's blessing rests on the one who walk softly and in a humble manner. The earth, land, and sky will welcome them and always be their home. Creator's blessing rests on the ones who hunger and thirst for wrongs to be made right again. They will eat and drink until they are full. Creator's blessing rests on the ones who are merciful and kind to others. Their kindness will find its way back to them—full circle. Creator's blessing rests on the pure of heart. They are the ones who will see the Great Spirit. Creator's blessing rests on the ones who make peace. It will be said of them, 'They are the children of the Great Spirit!'"

**Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing
Story Time for All Ages**

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Prayers – teachers and students as they work toward the end of this school year

Thanks – to Loretta, Lloyd, Louise & Diana McKinnell for helping with the cream gravy and to Ruth, Wilf, Kaytee, John & Casadi for making the rhubarb sauce for the MCC Sale

Candle Prayers for peace and our hearts' desires...

Hymn: VT #128 Many and Great

Second Reading: Acts 10:19-20, 27-28, 34-35 (*First Nations Version*)

"While Stands on the Rock (Peter) was meditating on the vision, the Spirit said to him, 'Look, three men are searching for you. Now rise up, go down into the house, and do not hesitate to go with these men, because I have sent them.'... [In Cornelius' house] he saw all the people who had gathered to hear him. 'As all of you must know,' he said to them, 'it is against our law for a Tribal Member like myself to have anything to do with someone from an Outside Nation. But Creator has helped me to see that I should not consider anyone to be impure or unclean. '...'I speak from my heart,' he said to them. 'I now see that Creator does not favor one human being over another. He accepts people of all nations who have a deep respect for him and do what is right.'"

Scripture Response:

Leader: For the word of God in Scripture,
 for the word of God among us,
 for the word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn: VT #389 Together

Sermon: Listening to Indigenous Wisdom

Hymn: VT #485 Put Peace into Each Other's Hands

Benediction:

God is

 a cloud forming,
 an eagle soaring,
 a voice from the wilderness,
 echoing through your ear.

Whispering, encouraging –

 keep going,
 seek My glory,
 don't worry,

 I'll keep your fears. *Written by Juanita Hephrey*

*Offerings can be done via e-transfer to osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com

*Our services are all streamed and archived on-line.

TODAY June 21

Speaker: Brad Schroeder Worship Leader: Dave Feick
Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben Accompanist: Melanie
Story: Brad Sound: Benjamin
Ushers: Anne/Bill Offering Counter Team: Jim/Shelley
Coffee/Snack: Louise

There will be no Coffee/Snack for July and August **BUT** if you have a special occasion you wish to celebrate with coffee and a snack, please let the office know to announce it 😊

Yard Maintenance for the week of June 22 27 – Chris Buhler & Clint Neufeld

Office Hours: Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am. to 12:30 pm

Friday June 26 10:00 am Coffee Time – *will be the last one until September*

Brad's Week: usual work days are Mon, Wed. and Fri. but not necessarily in the office – he may be out visiting. If you'd like a visit, please call him @ 306-361-0601.

Luke's Week:

Birthdays this Week: 25 – Margaret Boldt (91); 26 – Lynette Janzen; 26 – Melanie Boldt; 26 – Tena Sawatzky (93); 27 - Dayna Stefaniuk

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Financial update: We have completed 5 months of our 2026 year, and in that time, donations are matching the budgeted amount. Our expenses are also in line with budget, leaving us with a deficit of approximately \$3,600. In the Restricted Funds, \$20,000 has been spent on roofing part of the church. Financial statements have been distributed by email, and you can see Kathy for paper copies. Thank you for your continued support of the OMC budget!

Shekinah is looking for volunteers to help in the camp kitchen from July 13-17. Please text or call Audrey (306 270-3638), the convenor for that week, if you can help for a day or two or three.

"Summer camps are coming up soon. The Education Committee has a budget specifically for camperships. If you would like to access campership funding to help someone experience a week at camp this summer, please email Luke, at oslermcpastor2@gmail.com to get an application form."

MCC Connects: In partnership with the Canadian Council for Refugees (CCR), MCC invites your congregation to welcome the stranger and join in on the We're Better Together campaign. Through stories, resources, and opportunities for action, this campaign invites Canadians to learn about the refugee experience and the importance of welcoming newcomers. For more details about how to get involved, visit: mcc.org/better-together.

MC SASK Updates:

Where's Len this week?

This Sunday, Len will be participating in the installation service for Patty Friesen & Patrick Preheim as they begin their time as Spiritual Care Coordinators at Bethany Manor. Please hold them and all the people of Bethany Manor in your prayers. (MC Sask) (New)

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 MC Sask Education Scholarship. Eligible schools and service programs include: RJC High School, Canadian Mennonite University, SALT (MCC), 3E Internship (Youth Farm Bible Camp), and more. Application deadline is July 31, 2026, visit www.mcsask.ca for application forms and full eligibility details.

<https://mcsask.ca/res/pub/2026-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

You are invited to join the Mennonite Church Canada Annual General Meeting—an opportunity to gather in prayer, hear the story of God's work among us, and participate in shaping our shared future. Together we will celebrate ministry accomplishments, attend to faithful stewardship, and engage in meaningful discernment as we seek God's leading for the next season. Come ready to listen, reflect, and offer your voice as part of our nationwide church family.

https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/agm_2026

RJC Musical: The Prince of Egypt | 7:00pm June 25, 26 & 27 Join us in the RJC Auditorium for this year's musical production. Tickets are on sale now. Admission is \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. Tickets can be purchased at rjc.sk.ca/musical. Contact the school 306-232-4222 to request wheelchair/accessible seating. We hope to see you there!

MegaMenno: We are excited to invite you to our June MegaMenno event! We will be attending RJC's Musical "The Prince of Egypt" for their VIP Youth Night on Thursday, June 25th. The official RJC event

begins at 6 p.m. but MegaMenno Youth are invited to gather at 5:30pm in the school at RJC for a pizza supper ahead of the event.

Please be sure to register for the event with RJC at rjc.sk.ca/vipnight in order to get your musical ticket.

If you will join us for pizza please also RSVP to your youth leader or oslermcpastor2@gmail.com so we can make sure we have enough pizza.

MC Sask Youth Ministry Team youthminister@mcsask.ca; (New)

RJC Alumni & Friends BBQ | June 27 at 5:30pm RJC alumni & friends are invited to our annual BBQ, prior to the final performance of RJC's musical The Prince of Egypt. Meal cost is \$15/person (10 & under/free). RSVP to development@rjc.sk.ca or call (306) 232-4222.

RJC Graduation | June 28 - Please join us as we celebrate the class of 2026! Baccalaureate Service at 10:30am held at Rosthern Mennonite Church (3016 5th St, Rosthern). Graduation Exercises at 2:30pm in the RJC Auditorium (410 6th Ave, Rosthern) A live-stream option will be available at rjc.sk.ca/grad2026. All are welcome to attend!

Shekinah Summer Camp registration is now open! Go to <https://bit.ly/4cjsBMC> to register or visit our website for more details.

Shekinah Retreat Centre is seeking a Maintenance Coordinator who is responsible for the care, maintenance, and safe operation of all facilities and grounds across the Centre's 287-acre property. Shekinah hosts summer camps, school programs, and year-round rentals. We are looking for someone who is hands-on, reliable, service oriented, and who embraces Shekinah's mission that all are welcome to experience the presence and glory of God. Link to online application:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/ShekinahRetreatCentre/ApplicationForMaintenanceCoordinator> (New)

Summer at Camp Elim is almost underway, and we still have room available in all of our Camp Programs! We are a Mennonite Bible Camp located 30 min south of Swift Current on the beautiful shores of Lac Pelletier, SK. We love to encourage spending time in nature, growing our faith, and building meaningful friendships. Notable activities include; Archery, Crafts, Kayaking, Canoeing, Wakeboarding, Waterskiing, and Tubing.

Children's 1: July 5-10 (ages 7-12)

Day Camp 1: July 13-17 (ages 5-10)

Children's 2: July 19-24 (ages 7-12)

Teen Camp: July 26-31 (ages 13-18)

Day Camp 2: August 4-7 (ages 5-10)

Feel free to reach out to Wynn Bueckert at elimdirector@sasktel.net, or call him at 306-631-8463 for more information. (New)

CMU Employment Opportunities – CMU welcomes applications for sessional instructor positions in Music and Education as well as other opportunities. Visit cmu.ca/employment for more information. (New)

Online Short Course: Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Sept. 16 – Oct. 27. Join Paul Keim, PhD, and Drew Strait, PhD, to study pertinent Scripture passages and reflect on how these texts contribute to a robust and biblically based practice of peace and justice today. This online short course of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Aug. 26 to save \$50. ambs.edu/online-short-courses

SMYO Coffee Fundraiser

Through Level Ground Trading Co., funds are raised each year to help youth attend SMYO retreats, for large assemblies and trips, and scholarships. To date over \$15,000 has been raised, and we are very grateful for this support!

Orders are welcome on an individual or congregational/corporate level. We collect orders until we can complete a full order (usually in 2 weeks), and our order takes approximately 5 business days to arrive. Large orders may be shipped directly to you - contact the office for details. No stock is kept on hand.

Contact the MC Sask office (mcsask@mcsask.ca or 306-249-4844 ext 3) with any questions.

Climate Action

8 MC Canada congregations shared their stories about emissions reducing projects started in 2025.

Watch the Emissions Reduction Grant

Celebration (<https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/82/29449>) and Launch Party to catch a spark of energy for your congregation's next energy efficiency project, and find out how to apply for cash from MC Canada to help you do it!

Attention Worship Planners and Pastors - Simplify worship planning for Fall of 2026 and celebrate the Season of Creation from September 1-October 4, 2026 using Leader Magazine's Summer 2026 Issue - includes wonderful new worship material, written by worship leaders from across Mennonite Church Canada. Learn more here: Season of Creation – Leader Magazine

Indigenous Relations

Sunday, June 21st is National Indigenous Peoples Day - which is an invitation for our churches to practice being a good neighbour. Whether it is attending a local festival or Pow-Wow, or taking the time to visit a public mural or art gallery, we can all take the time to celebrate the contributions and traditions of Inuit, Metis and First Nations.

Commonword holds a number of online resources for churches to acknowledge this day in worship -

<https://www.commonword.ca/Browse/2900>

CALENDAR

Sun. June 21 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. June 28 – 10:00 am Jan Braun speaking

Sun. July 5 - 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. July 12 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

NEXT SUNDAY – June 28

Speaker: Jan Braun Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Loretta Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Kathy Sound: Stephanie

Ushers: Dick/Benjamin Offering Counter Team: Diana B/Rachel

Coffee/Snack:

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We gather on Treaty Six Lands, Nehiyaw Territory, and the Homeland of the Métis